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Joint Resolution

Aug. 8, 1983 [S.J. Res. 67] To designate the week of September 25, 1983, through October 1, 1983, as "National Respiratory Therapy Week".

Whereas respiratory therapy is recognized as a highly technological and progressive segment of the health care delivery system in the United States:

Whereas there are over eighty thousand respiratory therapy practitioners in the Nation who are making an important contribution to the delivery of quality health care;

Whereas respiratory therapy is an integral part of critical care and

general medicine;

Whereas respiratory therapists are involved with therapeutic and life-sustaining cardiopulmonary care to patients suffering from lung and associated heart disorders; and

Whereas in recent years the field of respiratory therapy has expanded to include postoperative pulmonary care, education, research, pulmonary testing, pulmonary rehabilitation, and neonatal-pediatric specialties: Now, therefore, be it

National Respiratory Therapy Week. Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the week of September 25, 1983, through October 1, 1983, is designated as "National Respiratory Therapy Week" and the President is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation calling on the people of the United States to observe the week with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.

Approved August 8, 1983.